# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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CULTIVATION OF PULSES
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) the details of area on which pulses are cultivated in the country at present, State-wise;

(b) whether both the total area and the net sown area under wheat, oilseeds, coarse cereals and pulses is less in comparison to the previous year and the total production is also estimated to be less;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) the demand of pulses in the country alongwith their production; and

(e) the names of the countries from which pulses are being imported to bridge the gap between demand and supply of pulses?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The details of area under cultivation of pulses in the country, State wise are given at Annexure.

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. The total area and production of wheat, oilseeds, coarse cereals and pulses in comparison to the previous year are given below:

Area (Million Hectare)
Production (Million Tonnes)

| Year | Wheat | | Oilseed | | Coarse Cereals | | pulses | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | A | P | A | P | A | P | A | P |
| 2001-02 | 25.9 | 71.8 | 22.8 | 20.4 | 29.7 | 33.9 | 21.7 | 13.2 |
| 2002-03 (provisional) | 24.6 | 68.9 | 21.5 | 15.4 | 26.5 | 25.1 | 19.8 | 11.5 |

The reason for less production is less area coverage due to severe drought conditions prevailing during the current year (2002-2003)

(d): For 2001-02, the working Group has estimated production requirement of pulses at 17.20 million tonnes. The consumption requirement has been estimated at 13.90 million tonnes based on normative approach and 16.25 million tonnes based on behaviouristic approach.

The production of pulses during last three years is given below:

| Year | Production (in Million tonnes) |
|---|---|
| 1999-2000 | 13.42 |
| 2000-2001 | 11.07 |
| 2001-2002 | 13.19 |

(e): The name of the countries from which pulses are being imported to bridge the gap between demand and supply are Australia, Canada, Hungary, Tanzania, Myanmar, China, Turkey, Syria, Nepal and Mexico.

ANNEXURE

## STATE-WISE AREA OF PULSES DURING 2001-2002

| State | Area (Thousand Hectares) 2001-2002 |
|---|---|
| Andhra Pradesh | 1907.9 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 6.8 |
| Assam | 118.5 |
| Bihar | 704.6 |
| Chhattisgarh | 823.3 |
| Goa | 9.4 |
| Gujarat | 730.0 |
| Haryana | 188.5 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 33.9 |
| J & K | 26.9 |
| Jharkhand | 116.1 |
| Karnataka | 1893.0 |
| Kerala | 13.2 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 3827.9 |
| Maharashtra | 3387.3 |
| Manipur | 6.0 |
| Meghalaya | 4.7 |
| Mizoram | 2.5 |
| Nagaland | 35.0 |
| Orissa | 728.8 |
| Punjab | 53.7 |
| Rajasthan | 3357.3 |
| Sikkim | 6.5 |
| Tamil Nadu | 679.4 |
| Tripura | 9.1 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 2698.1 |
| Uttaranchal | 29.9 |
| West Bengal | 249.2 |
| A & N Islands | 0.4 |
| D & N Haveli | 4.6 |
| Daman & Diu | 1.3 |
| Delhi | 0.4 |
| Pondicherry | 1.3 |
| All India | 21655.5 |